

# THE CIMARRON CITIZEN

The Cimarron Valley Has the Land, Climate and Water. Wanted---One Thousand Farmers

FIRST YEAR

Entered as second-class matter at the postoffice at Cimarron, N. M., under act of Congress, March 3, 1879.

CIMARRON, NEW MEXICO, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 1908

NUMBER SEVENTEEN

## WILLIAMS HEARD FROM

### Interesting Account of Wagon Trip Through New Mexico

The editor of the Citizen is in receipt of the following interesting letter from a Cimarron boy, Burton Williams, which gives a short but interesting account of some of the adventures of himself and Kersey Coe, who are making a wagon trip throughout New Mexico and Arizona:

Cubero, New Mexico, June 13, '08.  
My Dear Editor:

I'm going to ask you to send me at Gallup, New Mexico, the three copies of the Citizen which have appeared since Kersey and I left Cimarron. They are the issues, I believe for May 28th and June 3rd and 10th. You might send the issue of June 17th also. As we expect to be near Gallup for several days, a day or so at Fort Wingate and several days in the Zuni mountains.

While we are away from Cimarron, I'm going to ask you to hold my copy of the Citizen at your office each week, until you hear from me where I wish them sent. I find that I can't get along without it.

Cimarron has something of a reputation for hospitality and ability to show everybody who comes along a good time, but it doesn't compare with Laguna in that respect. I am sending enclosed a clipping from the Albuquerque Journal which tells of the big doings the other night which we had the pleasure of attending. We had a corking good time and Kersey made a killing. He is leaving a long string of broken hearts all along our trail. The account in the Journal was written before the big event came off--that's why it contains no mention of our names, or on account of the big fight which took place just before the dance broke up at half past three in the morning. An educated Indian, a college graduate, the chief's son mixed with a cowboy, and both got shot up pretty badly.

We are having a ripping good time though the last few days have been mighty hot, and good water hard to find. The sun is so hot down here that the Mexican girls whitewash their faces to keep their skin clear and fair. They are of a different sort than the Mexicans in Colfax county.

Our team is doing splendidly. We have been working them pretty hard some days, over sandy roads and in hot weather, but it doesn't seem to hurt them in the least. We haven't had any more of those "sneaky" attacks and only a couple of fights. We had to make the manager of the Alvarado in Albuquerque eat a little dirt because he wouldn't let us in the dining room without our coats, then we spent five days with him.

This is a great little old interesting Mexican and Indian town, with three saloons. So we are laying over a day. We are at the foot of Mt. Taylor and next week will be in the Zuni mountains, which are full of Indians, bear, mountain lions and game of all sorts. Kersey is going to get one of each breed, and then we shall visit the petrified forests and push on. We haven't secured much game yet haven't been in a game country. Kersey killed a wolf, a coyote, and a bobcat, besides of course a lot of rabbits since we left Taos.

Give my regards to all the boys and if you have the time write me at Gallup.

We did have one accident, too. Had forgotten about hat. Somebody stole Kersey's boots while he was asleep the other night. "Aint it awful, Mabel?"

Well, adios,  
Sincerely yours,  
BURTON WILLIAMS.

## BAND FOR CIMARRON

### Local Musicians Form Band--Concerts May be Expected

Cimarron has long felt the need of a good first class brass band, and this long felt want is now about to be filled. A number of local musicians have gotten together and formed a band organization, and it will not be long now before the citizens of Cimarron may have the pleasure of listening to regular band concerts in the city park on Saturday evenings.

The boys are in earnest in making the Cimarron band a successful organization, and are working hard to perfect themselves in the use of their instruments. They have circulated a subscription list, and already have secured the pledges of various business men for quite a considerable sum, which will be used to meet the first expenses and to buy additional instruments for those who do not already possess them. A good brass band is a great asset to a town, and the boys are to be heartily commended and should receive substantial support in the undertaking, which is no small one.

#### EDITOR ON FISHING TRIP.

S. M. Wharton, the editor of the Tucumcari News, arrived in Cimarron last Sunday evening from Tucumcari and will spend his vacation of two weeks in the mountains in the immediate vicinity on a fishing trip. Mr. Wharton is an old friend of "Shorty" Duquette, and the two have fitted up an outfit and left for the hills. They expect to be angling for the speckled beauties for about ten days, and Mr. Wharton expects the open air life will be very beneficial.

#### LOCALS AND PERSONALS

Mr. John Robinson and family of Topeka, Kan., have arrived in Cimarron and will make it their home in the future. Mr. Robinson is an expert air brake man and will be in the employ of the Rocky Mountain road. H. K. Grubbs has been spending a few days in Tucumcari on business with his property interests in our neighboring city to the south.

The Crocker Mercantile company have completed the installation of a new lighting plant in their new store.

## HAS LIVELY RUNAWAY CROCKER MERCANTILE TEAM FRIGHTENED AT TRAIN-- NO DAMAGE DONE.

Last Saturday morning, the Crocker Mercantile Co., had a lively run away. The team which the company uses to deliver its goods to the purchaser, was backed up to the depot platform waiting for a load to be taken from the express office. Although the horses were used to being around moving trains, they took fright at the engine which was switching around the depot, and started off north at a dead run. Running up Washington avenue for a block, they turned West and circled around the vacant lots back of the post office, and then out south-west across the park. They were then headed east by some passers by, and ran back toward the depot being caught by the fearless activity of "Heiny" Rupert, who caught the bridle of one of the frightened animals as they passed him.

Although the horses were running at top speed, and made several turns very sharply, the heavy delivery wagon to which they were hitched was not over turned, nor was any damage done at all. Ten minutes after the run away, the team was being driven around as if nothing had happened.



A LATE PICTURE OF SECRETARY TAFT.

Our Next President

## BUILDING & LOAN STOCK- HOLDERS ADOPT BY-LAWS

### First Meeting of Stock Holders of Cimarron Building & Loan Held Last Wednesday Evening--Elect Officers

The Cimarron Building & Loan Association, which has been laying in a dormant condition for the past three months has again taken on a revival of life, and interest in pushing the business of the association has returned triple fold. Last Wednesday evening, at the call of the temporary secretary, the stock holders in the association met at the office of the Cimarron Townsite Co. in their first meeting. The company, which has been incorporated for some time under the laws of the Territory of New Mexico, has not been entitled to begin business until it has first filed its by-laws with the County Clerk and Recorder. But it has, in the past, been impossible to get a sufficient number of stockholders to attend the meeting so that by-laws could be adopted. But all this has been changed, and great interest is now displayed in making the Association a big one, and great enthusiasm over the wished for success of the business of the Cimarron Building & Loan Association is now felt by all stockholders, who realize that now is the time to put it on its feet and to start the business of helping both themselves, and other men to build homes here.

The stockholders meeting was called to order by Geo. E. Remley, and the meeting at once perfected its permanent organization. As soon as possible thereafter, the matter of adopting by-laws for the Association was taken up. A draft of proposed by-laws was then read and a full discussion of each clause was had by all the stockholders, and from time to time, a few changes in the draft made. After the amendments had been proposed and adopted, the whole draft of the by-laws was adopted by the stockholders. Those who have been active in perfecting the incorporation of the Cimarron Building & Loan Association have studied the by-laws of several successful associations already doing business on a grand scale, and for the purposes of the Association will be a big success both to the stockholders, but a great advantage to those wishing to build homes as well. The Citizen predicts a great future for the new company.

#### Officers Elected.

After the adoption of the by-laws the stockholders proceeded to the election of officers, to hold office until the next regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Association, which will be held on the third Thursday of January each year. Under the by-laws of the Association the stockholders elect the board of directors, which is composed of seven members. From this number, the directors elect their President and Vice President, and from the stockholders, the board elect Secretary, Treasurer and attorney, and appoint such committees as it may see fit or necessary, which officers are also those of the Association.

After the adoption of the by-laws of the Association, the stockholders proceeded to the election of the board of directors, and the following seven men were chosen to that important office: F. W. Barlow, J. J. Brick, J. O. Rogers, S. E. Pelphrey, Frederic Whitney, A. C. Cox, and John Livingston. Immediately after the directors had been elected, they called a meeting of the board and proceeded to the election of officers of the Association. The following were elected to office, and will hold that office until the next annual meeting of the stockholders.

President, Frederic Whitney.  
Vice President, J. O. Rogers.  
Secretary, David B. Cole.  
Treasurer, F. W. Barlow.  
Attorney, Geo. E. Remley.  
With this new impetus which has been manifested by the increased interest in the Building & Loan Association, and with the new and increasing demand for such an organization here in Cimarron, there can be no doubt but that the business of the Association will be a big success both to the stockholders, but a great advantage to those wishing to build homes as well. The Citizen predicts a great future for the new company.

## UTE PARK EXCURSION

### Opening of Summer Resort Is Great Success

Sunday, June 14, the new summer resort at Ute Park was formally opened by a big excursion and a fine baseball game. The railroad company has just completed the erection of a tasty dancing pavilion which will be used for all kinds of entertainments, meetings, etc., as well as for dancing, and carefully thought out preparations had been made to insure the success of the opening.

A special excursion train was run from Raton to Ute Park, and greatly reduced rates were given. The superb aggregation of ball players from Van Houten were picked up on the way, and as one of the features of the day, a ball game between Cimarron and Van Houten was pulled off. The ball park at Ute Park has not as yet been put in very good condition, but a fine flat field was chosen as the scene of the meeting between the rival twirlers of the horse hide and the wielders of the bat, and one of the best games of ball witnessed in the county this season was the result of the meeting. Good snappy ball from start to finish was played by both teams, but Cimarron has the best team and won the game by a score of nine to five. But at no time was the game an assured thing, and the coal miners made the home team work for every run it made.

After the ball game, the crowd moved up to the pavilion where it was treated to music and dancing, the railroad company having furnished excellent music for the occasion. The Rocky Mountain News Service has a lunch counter in the pavilion, and catered to the wants of the hungry crowd in a most efficient manner. Rustic benches have been placed all around the grounds, and every possible accommodation for the visiting crowds has been attended to. Taking it all in all, while the crowd attending the opening of the summer resort was not a large one, the day was a grand success, and those back of the enterprise are very much encouraged, knowing that Ute Park has the natural advantages such as are unequalled by very few of the renowned resorts of the west, and feeling that this beginning toward placing the superb scenery and ideal summer climate of Ute Park before the world has been well made.

As time passes, and Ute Park becomes more known, to the summer pleasure and comfort seeker, many other improvements will be made. The company is prepared to build an immense summer hotel at Ute Park, lay out ball, tennis, polo and other grounds, stock the streams with trout, and do anything else that will add to the pleasure of the visitors, as soon as Ute Park becomes well enough to warrant the expenditure of such large sums of money as will be necessary to make these improvements.

## MYNATT MOVES HIS SHOP

### POPULAR PAINTER AND SIGN ARTIST MOVES SHOP TO REAR OF POOL HALL

Harvey Mynatt, the popular sign painter and artist has moved his shop from the rear of the Wilson Blacksmith shop to the rear of the Cox Pool Hall. Mr. Mynatt has fitted up a place of business at his new quarters that is very complete in every necessity, both in tools and materials, and he is now ready to go into the sign painting and a general painting business on an extensive scale.

## B. R. T. AT UTE PARK

### Brotherhood of Rail- road Trainmen Visit Summer Resort

According to the schedule, which was some weeks ago announced in these columns, the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen celebrated last Sunday at Ute Park, the new summer resort which the railroad company has opened up. The Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen is one of the largest organizations of its kind in the world, and great preparations were made for the entertainment of the excursionists, who were expected to take advantage of the opportunity offered. The big day has been advertised very strenuously for the past two months, and everything was done to make the day one of great pleasure to the visiting crowds.

The pavilion which has been erected at Ute Park, was rushed through to completion so that it might be ready for this grand event, and the Rocky Mountain road arranged a special excursion train running from Raton to Ute Park for the occasion.

In accord with the plans made, a special of six passenger coaches left Raton last Sunday morning, westward bound with about five hundred trainmen with their friends and families on board, the train arriving at Cimarron about ten o'clock, having picked up various liberal additions to the crowd at Van Houten, Koehler and Colfax. Stopping here for a few moments to pick up more excursionists, the special proceeded to Ute Park for the day.

At Ute Park, the enormous appetites of the crowd was appeased by the catering of the Rocky Mountain News Service, and as soon as all were satisfied, the crowds wended their way to the ball park and witnessed an exciting game of baseball between two evenly matched teams. Van Houten and Yankee furnishing the feature entertainment of the day. From the first the game belonged to any one, and up to the sixth inning, both teams showed faultless form and put up a fine exhibition of ball. Early in the contest, the score stood three to three, with no prospects of any other runners crossing home plate. This condition continued until the sixth inning, when Van Houten made some costly errors which allowed Yankee to run in some scores, and from that time on, the dauntless Van Houten players went to pieces, allowing six more runs to their opponents, and the game ended with the score of nine to three in favor of Yankee. But even as it was the game was more hotly contested than the score would indicate.

After the ball game, dancing at the pavilion took place until train time, and various other amusements were indulged in. It was not until about six-thirty that the six-coach excursion train, filled with tired but happy picnickers went through Cimarron. Taking it all in all, the day was a grand success, and every trainman seen, expressed himself as well satisfied with the trip, the day and the place. On every hand were heard surprised comments on the ideal location of Ute Park as a summer resort, and every where one heard enthusiastic praise of the surpassing beauty of the spot. The day was superb, the scenery beautiful and the crowd well behaved and congenial and the fact that there was not an intoxicated person at the park, speaks well for the character of the men who are in the employ of our great railroad systems, and who have the lives of thousands of travelers in their safe keeping.

Philadelphia, June 23--Four deaths and numerous prostrations were the result of the torrid wave under which Philadelphia sweltered. At 5 o'clock the thermometer registered 91. Prostrations on the streets and in places of employment were many.